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**AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL
LETTER AND REQUEST FOR
EXTENSION OF TIME PURSUANT
TO 37 C.F.R. 1.136 (a)**

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Sir:

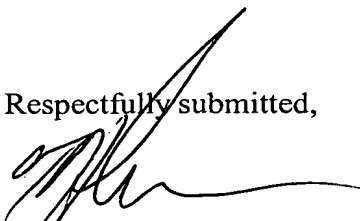
1. Transmitted herewith for filing is an Amendment for the above-identified application.
2. No new claim fees are believed due.
3. Applicant hereby requests a **two-month extension of time** to respond to the Office Action mailed June 9, 2005 which set a three-month period for response ending on September 9, 2005. The two-month extended period for response expires on November 9, 2005. Please charge the **\$225.00** extension fee and any additional fees to the deposit account of Kenyon & Kenyon, deposit account number 11-0600.
4. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to the deposit account of **Kenyon & Kenyon**, deposit account number 11-0600:
 - A. Any additional filing fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16;
 - B. Any additional patent application processing fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17;
 - C. Any additional patent issue fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.18;

- D. Any additional document supply fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.19;
- E. Any additional post-patent processing fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.20; or
- F. Any additional miscellaneous fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.21.

5. A copy of this letter is enclosed.

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Respectfully submitted,



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